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PATENT APPLICATION

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For: PLATE-MAKING METHOD, PLATE-MAKING APPARATUS USED IN SUCH
PLATE-MAKING METHOD, AND IMAGE RECORDING MATERIAL

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please enter the following amended claims:

7. (Amended) A plate-forming apparatus for scanning a photosensitive plate-making material by using modulated laser light to record an image on said photosensitive plate-making material, comprising:

a light source for generating laser light including ultra-short pulse laser light which causes photopolymerization reaction by a multiple photon absorption phenomenon at a laser light irradiated portion of said photosensitive plate-making material;

a light modulator for modulating said laser light generated by said light source; and

a light scanning mechanism for scanning said laser light modulated by said light modulator.